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# ANTHONY P. CHESTER CURRICULUM VITAE

## CONSUMER LAW EXPERIENCE

- Chester Law PLLC Bloomington, MN
  - Principal (October 2022 Present)
    - Manage and litigate cases in a multi-jurisdictional practice
      - Primarily litigate in federal courts
    - Consumer protection litigation focusing on:
      - Fair Credit Reporting Act, Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, Fair Credit Billing Act, Electronic Funds Transfer Act, and related state statutes
- Kazerouni Law Group Minneapolis, MN
  - Of Counsel (October 2022 Present)
    - Manage and litigate cases previously filed prior to transitioning to Of Counsel.
      - Litigating cases in Minnesota, Indiana, Missouri, Kansas, Texas, California, and Florida
    - Consumer protection litigation focusing on:
      - Fair Credit Reporting Act, Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, Fair Credit Billing Act, and state law deceptive trade practice statutes
  - Managing Attorney (August 2019 September 2022)
    - Manage a multi-jurisdictional practice
      - Litigated cases in Minnesota, Michigan, Indiana, Illinois, Kansas, Missouri, Texas, Arizona, and California
    - Practice consumer protection litigation with a focus on:
      - Fair Credit Reporting Act, Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, Fair Credit Billing Act, and state law deceptive trade practice statutes
    - Handled cases at all stages—from client acquisition through settlement
  - Of Counsel (July 2016 August 2019)
    - Practiced particularly in Texas federal and state courts with an emphasis on cases involving the Texas Deceptive Trade Practice Act
- **Hyde & Swigart** Minneapolis, MN
  - Managing Attorney (March 2015 August 2019) Merged with Kazerouni Law Group
    - Opened and developed the Minnesota branch of the firm
    - Managed a high-volume, multi-jurisdictional practice
      - Litigated cases in Minnesota, Michigan, Illinois, Ohio, Texas, California, and Colorado
    - Practiced consumer protection litigation with a focus on:
      - Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, Telephone Consumer Protection Act, Fair Credit Reporting Act, state law deceptive trade practices acts, and Defending consumers in debt collection actions

## PRESENTATIONS AND ARTICLES

- What the Bankruptcy Practitioner Needs to Know about the FDCPA and FCRA 2hr CLE (July 2022)
  - Presented an overview, strategies, and case identification for FDCPA and FCRA practice
- A New Frontier: Consumer Class Actions after Ramirez Forum Magazine Article (Nov. 2021)
  - Authored an article on the impact after *Ramirez* on Art. III standing in federal courts
- Consumer Law: Recent Trends in Art. III MSBA Consumer Section 1hr CLE (June 2021)
  - Presented on the evolution of courts' analysis of Art. III standing in consumer litigation
- Ensuring a Fresh Start after Bankruptcy: Credit Reporting VLN Article (Feb. 2020)
  - Authored an article on inaccurate credit reporting and consumer rights under the FCRA
- FDCPA: Overview and Select Topics HCBA Creditor/Debtor Section 1hr CLE (April 2019)
  - Presented on select topics within FDCPA litigation, including fee petitions
- New Developments in the TCPA MSBA Consumer Law Section 1hr CLE (Oct. 2018)
  - Presented on the Plaintiff's bar perspective on recent developments in TCPA case law

## OTHER LEGAL EXPERIENCE

- Esqyr Minneapolis, MN
  - Co-Founder and Chief Content Creator of bar exam study materials (2015 2022)
- Ganje Law Offices Minneapolis, MN
  - Research and writing attorney (2014 2015)
- Contract Attorney Minneapolis, MN
  - Contract and consulting on transactional matters (2015)

# MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

- The United Way of Jackson County Jackson, MI
  - Mediator (2012 2013)
- The Dispute Resolution Center Ann Arbor, MI
  - Mediator (2012 2013)

## **EXPERIENCE IN ACADEMIA**

- Michigan State University College of Law East Lansing, MI
  - Coach students in appellate moot court competitions (Spring 2020 Present)
- The Dispute Resolution Institute at Hamline University School of Law St. Paul, MN
  - Project administrator and mediation coach (2014 2015)
- Michigan State University College of Law East Lansing, MI
  - Teaching assistant in negotiation and mediation (2012 2013)
- LLM Negotiation Workshop and Competition at Michigan State University East Lansing, MI
  - Assistant Director (2012)

#### **EDUCATION**

- Michigan State University College of Law East Lansing, MI
  - Juris Doctor 2013
- Michigan State University East Lansing, MI
  - B.A. in Political Theory and Constitutional Democracy 2010
  - B.A. in Philosophy 2010
- University of New South Wales Sydney, Australia
  - Coursework in government 2008

## **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

- Minnesota State Bar Association Consumer & Creditor Law Section (2019 council, 2020-2022 cochair, 2022-2023 secretary)
- National Association of Consumer Advocates (member 2016 present)
- Debtor-Creditor Section of the Hennepin Country Bar Association (committee member 2016)
- Hennepin County Bar Association (2015 present)
- Minnesota State Bar Association (2015 present)
- Texas State Bar Association (2014 present)
- State Bar of Michigan (2013 present)
- The Dispute Resolution Center (board member 2014 2016)
- Twin Cities Spartans (2015 present)

#### Honors

- Super Lawyers Rising Star 2021, 2022
- The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation Fellow 2022

#### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

- State of Michigan 2013
- State of Texas 2014
- State of Minnesota 2015
- State of Missouri 2021
- U.S. District Court, District of Minnesota 2015
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Wisconsin 2015
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Wisconsin 2015
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Eighth Circuit 2016
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Texas 2016
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas 2017
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan 2017
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Michigan 2017
- U.S. District Court, District of Colorado 2017
- U.S. District Court, Northern District of Illinois 2017
- U.S. Court of Appeals, Sixth Circuit 2018
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Indiana 2019
- U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Missouri 2020
- U.S. District Court, Central District of Illinois 2021
- U.S. District Court, Western District of Missouri 2021
- U.S. District Court, District of Kansas 2021